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In re application of:

YOSHIDA, Hiroji, et al.

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For: NON-WOVEN FABRICS AND  
PRODUCTION METHOD  
THEREOF...

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly enter the following Preliminary Amendment into the Specification of the above captioned case:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the text of the indicated paragraphs with the new text as is required by revised Rule 121 (the marked up copy required by the revised rule is located at the end of this paper as is shown in the example on the PTO web page):

Please replace the paragraphs starting with line 5 of page 22 and continuing to line 4 of page 23 with the following paragraphs:

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The fibers constituting the non-woven fabric used for the cushion material include, for example, polyester fibers having a side-by-side structure and having self-crimping developability, polyester fibers of core-sheath type composite fibers, ultra-large fibers of 100 denier or more and core-sheath type composite polyester fibers with the melting point of fibers constituting the sheath being set lowest among the fibers constituting the non-woven fabric according to this invention. When the